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The lawsuit should never have been brought in the first place. It is only another scheme to pump funds to trail lawyers who will then payoff the cooperating AG s with campaign contributions. The only reason the settlement isn't acceptable to the AG s is that it will help the schools more than it will meet their original plan. If this sounds cynical - it is!